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1. The new Rudy Letov Airfield is located on the site of the former Klicany Airfield, which was constructed by the Luftwaffe and had only a grass surface. After World War II it was used as a sport airfield only. The construction of a concrete runway started in 1952 and was completed by the spring of 1953. Administrative offices, which were formerly in buildings near the village of Klicany, on the northern side of the local castle garden, were transferred to new buildings (sic) near the Klicany-Kobylisy highway (see paragraph 6 below).
2. The airfield is southwest of the village of Klicany. Its northern boundary is the Klicany-Hostice-Vodochody highway; the eastern boundary is a secondary road leading from Klicany to Zdibsko. The western boundary is the road leading from Klicany (N 50-11, E 14-25) to the north.
3. The runway (see the sketch, Point 1) is about 50 m. wide. It is impossible to estimate its length from the vantage point on the road. The direction of the runway seems to be approximately east-west. At the eastern end of the runway near the main road is a concrete apron where MIG-15's are usually parked. In the vicinity of the apron a new area was still being concreted and is believed to be another apron.
4. The entrance to the airfield is from the Klicany-Veltrusy highway, at a point about 800 m. south of Klicany and near the railroad. A large inscription over the entrance reads "Letiste Rudy Letov" (Rudy Letov Airfield).
5. The hangars (Point 2) extend alongside the Klicany-Kobylisy highway. Construction of the hangars started in 1952, and by June 1953 four of them were completed. They are of reinforced concrete, about 30x15 m., and spaced about 15 m. apart. The surface south of the hangars was still being leveled and it is believed that this was in preparation for the construction of further buildings.
6. A three-story reinforced concrete building (Point 3) is located north of the hangars. It seems to be an administration building and is 20x20 m. About five or six wooden huts (Point 4), 20x5 m., lie between the administration building and the highway. These huts are used for billeting the workers.

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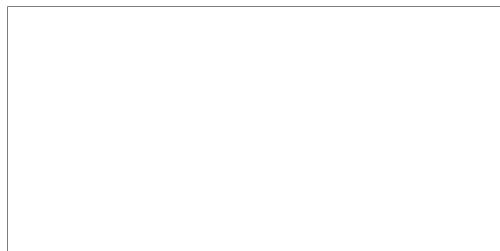
employed on the construction of the airfield.

7. There was a considerable amount of construction being carried on at the airfield. Several automatic shovels and dredging machines were used in leveling the surface. Only civilian workers were employed on the construction; no auxiliary technical battalion (PTB) personnel were observed.
8. The airfield is used for test flights by the Rudy Letov plant,<sup>1</sup> where MIG-15's are being built. The aircraft are believed to be assembled in the hangars on the airfield.



Comment: Probably the plant known as Rudy Letov II at Vodochody.

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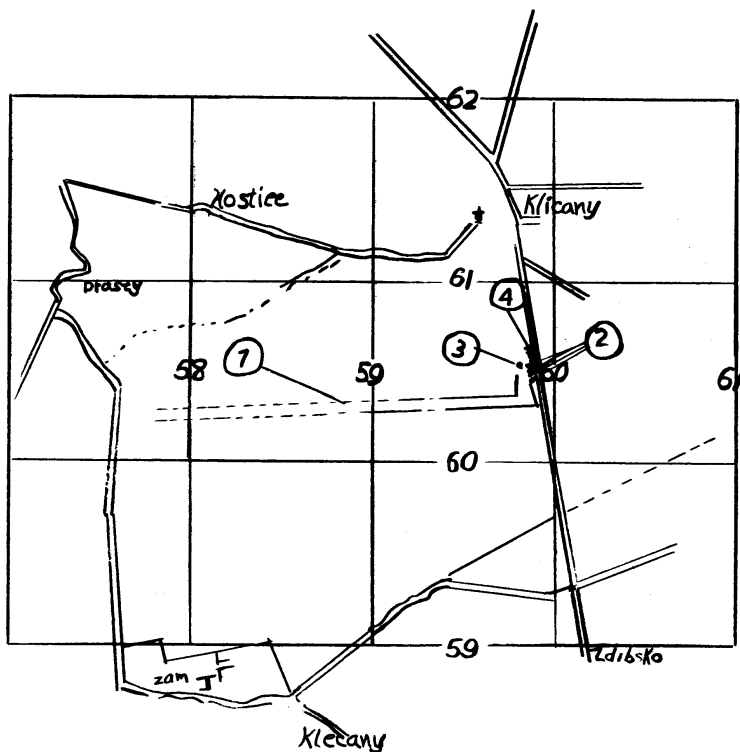


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